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SUBJECT : STRONG REPRESENTATION BY AGENCE FRANCE PRESSE

1. DURING LUNCH WITH EMBASSY PRESS ATTACHE

OCTOBER 16 EDWIN FORTE OF AFP DIPLOMATIC SERVICE AND BERNARD ULMANN, DEPUTY EDITOR IN CHIEF AFP PARIS (WHO LATER THIS YEAR WILL TRANSFER TO WASHINGTON BUREAU) ASKED EMBASSY'S HELP IN SOLVING WHAT THEY CONSIDER SERIOUS AFP PROBLEM IN WASHINGTON. THEY SAID THAT FOR PAST SEVERAL MONTHS AP, UPI AND REUTERS CORRESPONDENTS WERE PERMITTED TO ACCOMPANY SECSTATE ON HIS TRAVELS WHILE AFP WAS NOT. THEY SAID THIS ARRANGEMENT MAKES IT EXTREMELY DIFFICULT FOR AFP TO MATCH COMPETITORS' COVERAGE THESE HIGHLY IMPORTANT TRIPS.

2. THEY SAID THAT PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER AFP, JEAN MARIN, SENT COMMERCIAL TELEGRAM TO SECRETARY KISSINGER SOME TWO WEEKS AGO PROTESTING AFP'S EXCLUSION FROM SECRETARY'S PLANE AND HAS NOT RECEIVED REPLY.

3. PRESS ATTACHE SUGGESTED THAT IN VIEW OF SECRETARY'S RECENT TRAVEL IT WAS DOUBTFUL HE HAD YET SEEN THEIR BOSS' TELEGRAM, AND THAT WE SURE RESPONSE WOULD BE FORTHCOMING. WE ALSO AGREED TO MAKE INQUIRIES.

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4. WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE. NATURALLY WE FEEL FRENCH
AGENCY SHOULD HAVE EQUAL TREATMENT WITH REUTERS.
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